### Fall 2012 Newsletter

Next KAP meeting:

November 14th, 2012

10:30am to 2:30 pm

**Bluegrass Community Action** Partnership Bldg.

111Professional Court

Frankfort KY

Lunch provided,

please RSVP: jan.hatfield@ky.gov







The KY Respiratory Disease Program in partnership with American Lung Association of the Midland States held a successful Asthma Educator Institute in Frankfort, KY on August 23rd and 24th. The 29 participants learned how to develop and implement effective asthma education programs that are based on the current National Asthma Education and Prevention

gram Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma.

### The Center for Courageous Kids – We Prescribe Fun!

The Center for Courageous Kids, also known as CCK, is a world class medical camp located in Scottsville, KY, serving children and families from across the country who are living with a variety of medical challenges. They are open year round and can host 120 kids at a time. The Center for Courageous Kids, the dba of Project C.A.M.P. (Children Are Magnificent People), is a not-for-profit corpo-

ration founded in October 2004 to respond to the expanding needs of therapeutic camps for children with chronic diseases in Kentucky, Tennessee, and the surrounding states. It is a wonderful place where each child can achieve their personal best, make new friends, and have the time of their lives. Their mission is to uplift children who have life-threatening illnesses by creating experiences year-round that are memorable, exciting, fun, build self-esteem, are physically safe, and medically sound. Their state of the art facility has programs to fit the needs of every child, no matter the handicap or illness. For additional information please email info@courageouskids.org or call 270-618-2900.





Healthy Hoops<sup>®</sup> Kentucky is a special initiative that uses basketball and fun to focus on the needs of kids with asthma. Under the guidance of celebrity basketball coaches and medical experts, children between the ages of 7 and 13 - and their families, will participate in a full day of health awareness, entertainment, asthma screenings, and basketball drills and skills work-

free event held on September 22nd, 2012 from 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. participants register for mandatory health screenings, participate in basketball drills, learn health prevention and intervention

techniques from health care experts. Parental/guardian participation is a vital component of Healthy Hoops® Kentucky. At each event described above, there are workshops for parents that provide management tips, prevention facts, and information about the importance of Griffith, "Dr. Dunkenstein" is Honorary Chair of Healthy Hoops<sup>®</sup> Kentucky.

Location information Moore Traditional High School 6415 Outer Loop Louisville, KY 40228

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### Resources available on the KDPH Respiratory Disease Program website:

http://chfs.ky.gov/dph/info/dpqi/cd/respiratorydisease.htm Creating Asthma Friendly Schools Resource Guide

Would you like to be a Member of the KY Asthma Partnership?

Email jan.hatfield®ky.gov for more information.

# Resources to Check Out!

http://www.rampasthma.or g/AAP/AsthmaActionPlan\_e nglish\_blank.pdf

http://

www.getasthmahelp.org/

http://

www.getasthmahelp.org/ documents/

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fold\_EssentialInformation\_8 5x11Finalrev.pdf

http://www.getasthmahelp. org/documents/GIST-Follow-Up-Tool.pdf

http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/ health/public/lung/asthma/

# Check it Out!!

Asthmapolis: Public Health Data in Action



### **Not One More Life**

<u>Not One More Life</u> is an asthma education program dedicated to teaching others about asthma. In 2003 *Not One More Life*, a volunteer advocacy organization was founded by **Dr. LeRoy Graham**. As a board certified practicing physician, it was his vision to affect

the health disabilities of asthma in the African-American community. *Not One More Life's* mission is to partner with communities of faith to provide asthma education to help reduce the negative impact of the disease among African-Americans. A team of doctors, nurses, respiratory therapists and other health educators work together to achieve this goal. For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.notonemorelife.org/noml/aboutus.aspx">http://www.notonemorelife.org/noml/aboutus.aspx</a>



### **Tobacco Free Schools (TFS)**

Over 640,000 Kentucky youth attend public schools each year. In addition to education, schools strive to provide healthy environments and positive adult role models.

While federal law prohibits smoking in school buildings, more and more school districts are taking the next step and passing 100% Tobacco Free School policies. A 100% Tobacco Free School (TFS) policy prohibits tobacco use by staff, students and visitors, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, inside



Board-owned buildings or vehicles, on school owned property, and during school-related student trips. Studies show that schools with strongly enforced tobacco policies have fewer youth smokers than schools with more lax tobacco policies. To learn more, visit Kentucky's Tobacco Free Schools website, <a href="www.tobaccofreeschoolsky.org">www.tobaccofreeschoolsky.org</a> or contact Elizabeth Hoagland at

ElizabethA. Hoagland@ky.gov.

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First and Only Healthy Homes Certification Site in KY! Congratulations, Ashland-Boyd Co. Health Department!

The Ashland-Boyd County Health Department has partnered with the Kentucky Department for Public Health and the <a href="National Center for Healthy Housing">National Center for Healthy Housing</a> in establishing the FIRST and ONLY Healthy Homes Training Site in the state!!! They

will be hosting a second Essentials for Healthy Home Practitioners Course October 2nd & 3rd at the Ashland-Boyd Co. Health Dept., 2924 Holt Street, Ashland, KY. 41101. The National Environmental Health Association's Healthy Homes Credentialing Exam will be offered upon completion of the course on day two. The class is FREE, however, the exam is \$75 (cost is typically \$150). Registration is required! Scholarships are available on a first come first serve basis. Please take advantage of this opportunity while the exam is at a reduced cost and scholarships are available. If you are interested in becoming a certified Healthy Homes Specialist please contact Holly West, Program Manager, at 606-329-9444 ext.2223